

## **REMARKS**

Applicant respectively requests argendment of Claims 46 and 116 prior a first Office Action on the merits.

Should any matter of form or language stand in the way of allowance of the present application, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone conference to resolve such issues.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fee as may be required for timely acceptance of the Amendment transmitted herewith and to credit any surplus to Deposit Account No. 04-0500. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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46. The multiple chamber airbag cushion as recited in Claim 21, further comprising a fourth panel secured to said second panel over said third panel, and wherein at least one of said second and third panels includes a vent opening providing for inflation of a tertiary chamber defined between said fourth panel and at least one of said second and third panels.

- 116. A multiple chamber airbag cushion comprising:
  - a first panel having a central gas opening and at least one vent hole,
- a second panel having substantially the same dimensions as the first panel, and being attached to the first panel, along the edge thereof,

a third panel having dimensions less than or equal to that of the second panel, and being attached along the edge thereof to the second panel with [at least] one of the second and third panels covering at least one vent opening in the other of said panels, a secondary chamber defined between said second and third panels receives gas from said primary chamber through said at least one vent opening in [at least] one of said second and third panels.